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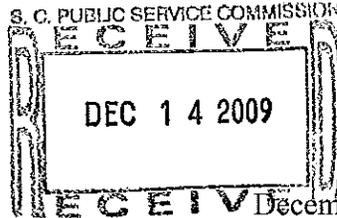
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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni
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101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of United Utility Companies, Inc. for adjustment of rates and charges and modifications to certain terms and conditions for the provision of water and sewer service. Docket No.: 2009-479-WS

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and five (5) copies of the Affidavits of Publication in the above-referenced matter for each of the following newspapers:

1. The Gaffney Ledger
2. The Greenwood Index-Journal
3. The Greenville News
4. The Union Daily Times
5. The Spartanburg Herald-Journal
6. The Anderson Independent-Mail

Additionally, enclosed please find the original and five (5) copies of the Affidavit of Mailing of Lena Georgiev.

By copy of this letter, I am serving counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff with a copy of same and enclose a certificate of service to that effect. I would appreciate your acknowledging receipt of these documents by date-stamping the extra copies that are enclosed and returning them to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

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The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni

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If you have any questions or if you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. P. Mustian', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Benjamin P. Mustian

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cc: Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2009-479-W/S

IN RE:

Application of United Utility Companies,)
Inc. for adjustment of rates and charges)
and modifications to certain terms)
and conditions for the provision of)
water and sewer service.)
_____)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of each of the six (6) **Affidavits of Publication** and one (1) copy of the **Affidavit of Mailing of Lena Georgiev** by placing same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service with first class postage affixed thereto and addressed as follows:

Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire
Office of Regulatory Staff
Post Office Box 11263
Columbia, South Carolina 29211



Clark Fancher

Columbia, South Carolina
This 14th day of December, 2009

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHEROKEE

Personally came before me, a Notary Public for State and County aforesaid, Carolyn C. Moss, Secretary/Receptionist for The Gaffney Ledger, Inc., a newspaper published at Gaffney, South Carolina, and on oath says that the above advertisement did appear in said newspaper, and that the clipping herewith attached and made a part of this affidavit is a true copy of said advertisement as it appeared in said newspaper on DECEMBER 2, 2009.



Carolyn C. Moss, Secretary/Receptionist

Sworn to before me this

2nd day of Dec 2009



Notary Public for South Carolina

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKETING DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING
DOCKET NO. 2009-479-WS**

United Utility Companies, Inc. - APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES And Modifications to Certain Terms And Conditions FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

United Utility Companies, Inc. (UUC or the Company) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for an adjustment of the Company's rates and charges and modification of certain terms and conditions for the provision of water and sewer service. UUC is a public utility, as defined by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-10(4) (Supp. 2008), providing water and sewer service to the public for compensation in certain areas of South Carolina pursuant to rates approved by the Commission in Docket No. 2000-210-W/S.

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240 (Supp. 2008) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512.4 A and 103-712.4 A (Supp. 2008), the Company requests that the Commission approve an increase in its monthly water and sewer service rates. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-503 and 103-703, Applicant further proposes a modification to the terms and conditions under which a tenant will be billed for water and sewer services to comport with current S.C. Code Ann. § 27-33-50 (Supp. 2008) as same may be amended in the future. Also, pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-703, Applicant proposes to add language requiring its customers who install, permit to be installed or maintain a cross connection between the Company's water system and any other non-public water system to install a backflow prevention device in accordance with 24A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-58.7 F (Supp. 2008), as may be amended from time to time. The Company further proposes to require such customers to annually have such cross connection inspected by a licensed certified tester and provide to Utility no later than June 30th of each year a copy of a written inspection report and testing results submitted by the certified tester in accordance with 24A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-58.7 F (Supp. 2008), as same may be amended from time to time. Additionally, Applicant proposes to modify the provision dealing with single family equivalents to incorporate the pertinent regulation of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) and to include language pertaining to the terms and conditions for extensions of its facilities for service. Applicant also proposes to amend its rate schedule to provide that, in lieu of mailing its customers a paper bill, it may provide an electronic bill to its water and sewer customers on the Company's website if requested by the customer in writing. Finally, the Company proposes to increase its approved Notification Fee to be charged in connection with a notice required to be provided pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-535.1 (Supp. 2008) prior to disconnection of sewer services.

In support of its request for an adjustment in the Company's water and sewer rates, terms and conditions UUC asserts, among other things, that the proposed water and sewer rate increases are necessary in order that it may provide reasonable and adequate service to its customers, comply with standards and regulations set by the Department of Health and Environmental Control and other governmental agencies which regulate the environmental aspect of the Company's business, and earn a reasonable return on its investment and attract capital for future improvements. The Company also asserts that the proposed water and sewer rate increases are necessary to preserve its financial integrity and to permit continued investment in and maintenance of its facilities so as to provide reliable and high quality services. Further, the Company asserts that an increase in its Notification Fee is necessary due to increased postal costs and increased mailings due to the number of delinquent customers.

THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SET FORTH BELOW

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WATER

Monthly Charges Current Proposed

Residential (per single family house, condominium, mobile home, apartment unit)		
Residential		
Base Facilities Charge	\$11.50	\$20.69 per unit
Commodity Charge	\$4.50 per 1,000	
gallons or 134 cft	\$8.09 per 1,000	
gallons or 134 cft		

Basic Facilities Charge		
Per single family equivalent (SFE)	\$11.50	\$20.69 Per SFE
Commodity Charge	\$4.50 per 1,000	
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gallons or 134 cft		

SEWER

Current Proposed

Residential monthly charge		
Per single family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit	\$48.24 per unit	\$73.89 per unit
Mobile Homes - monthly charge	\$35.58 per unit	\$54.50 per unit
Commercial - monthly charge	\$48.24 per SFE	\$73.89 per SFE
Charge for Sewer Collection Only		
Residential - monthly charge per single family house, condominium, mobile home or apartment unit	\$24.66 SFE	\$37.77 per unit
Commercial - monthly charge Per single family equivalent		
Notification Fee pursuant to Regulation 103-535.1	\$24.66 per SFE	
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A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, P. O. Drawer 11649, Columbia, South Carolina 29211. Additionally, UUC's Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, South Carolina on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 10:30 a.m.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before January 18, 2010, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2009-479-WS.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, and John M. S. Hoeler, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoeler, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416 on or before January 18, 2010, and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2009-479-WS.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Attn: Docketing Department
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA DOCKETING DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING DOCKET NO. 2009-479-WS UNITED UTILITY COMPANIES, INC. - APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES AND MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

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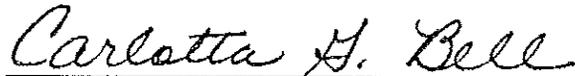
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Residential Current Base Facilities Charge \$11.50 Proposed Base Facilities Charge \$20.69 per unit

Current Commodity Charge \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft Proposed Commodity Charge \$8.09 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft

Commercial Basic Facilities Charge

Current Per single family equivalent (SFE) \$11.50 Proposed Per single family equivalent (SFE) \$20.69

Per SFE Current Commodity Charge: \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft Proposed Commodity Charge: \$8.09 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft

SEWER Residential monthly charge

Current - Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit \$48.24 per unit Proposed - Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit \$73.89 per unit

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ADVERTISEMENT!

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December 2nd, 2009
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Ty Randall

Sworn to and subscribe before me, this
10th day of December 2009.

Debra K. Stelle

Notary

Sept. 18, 2012
Commission Expires

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Commercial Basic Facilities Charge	\$ 8.09 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft
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Per SFE	\$ 20.69
Commodity Charge:	\$ 4.50 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft
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SEWER
Current Proposed
Residential monthly charge
 Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit
 \$48.24 per unit
 \$73.89 per unit

Mobile Homes monthly charge
 \$35.58 per unit
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Commercial monthly charge
 \$48.24 per SFE
 \$73.89 per SFE

Charge for Sewer Collection Only

Residential monthly charge per single family house, condominium, mobile home or apartment unit
 \$ 24.66 per unit
 \$37.77 per unit

Commercial monthly charge
 For single family equivalent

Notification Fee pursuant to Regulation 103-535.1
 \$24.66 per SFE
 \$4.00
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for the State and County
aforesaid, Kristen Mooneyham, who having been duly sworn according to law, deposes
and says that she is a Representative of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal, a newspaper
published in Spartanburg, South Carolina, and that the attached *legal display* ad was
published for 1 time(s) in the following issues:

12/2/09

Kristen Mooneyham
Kristen Mooneyham

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 10th day of December, 2009

Alice Annas
Alice Annas
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires May 23, 2016

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

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Residential monthly charge	per single-family house, condominium, mobile home or apartment unit		\$24.66 SFB \$37.77 per unit
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**State of South Carolina
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{ Affidavit

Personally appeared before me, Karen Rommelmeyer, who being duly sworn, says that she is the Retail Sales Manager of the *Independent-Mail* daily newspaper, published at Anderson, South Carolina and that a legal advertisement for a notice of filing and hearing Docket No. 2009-479-WS appeared in the above newspaper in the issue of December 4, 2009.

Copy of said advertisement is attached hereto.

Signed: 

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 04 day of

Dec, 2009.

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Notary Public for South Carolina

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB. 10, 2014

My Commission Expires

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